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SUBJ: SECVISIT UNGA: HIGH LEVEL ATTENDANCE AT 7TH SPECIAL
SESSION UNGA AND 30TH REGULAR SESSION UNGA

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1. FINNISH DELEGATION TO 7TH SPECIAL SESSION WILL BE LED BY MINISTER FOR FOREIGN TRADE ARVO RYTKONEN. FOREIGN MINISTER OLAVI J. MATTILA WILL LEAD DELEGATION TO 30TH REGULAR SESSION (DETAILS SEPTTEL). IN EMBASSY'S OPINION ATTENDANCE AT EITHER SESSION OF FINNISH PRESIDENT OR PRIME MINISTER IS HIGHLY UNLIKELY.

2. MINISTER RYTKONEN WILL ARRIVE IN NEW YORK BY FINNAIR AY 105 AT 1555 SEPTEMBER 6. HE DEPARTS SEPTEMBER 12 AT 2015 BY AY 104. FINNS ORIGINALLY RESERVED SPEAKING DATE ON SEPTEMBER 5 BUT ARE NOW LOOKING FOR A LATER DATE DUE TO POSTPONEMENT OF RYTKONEN'S ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK.

3. REST OF FINNISH DELEGATION TO SPECIAL SESSION FOLLOWS TRADITIONAL PATTERN, INCLUDING BOTH PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMATS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF POLITICAL PARTIES. LIST IS AS FOLLOWS (WITH EMBASSY COMMENTS IN PARENTHESES):

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A. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN, AMBASSADOR AARNO KARHILO,
FINNISH PERMREP IN NEW YORK.

B. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN, AMBASSADOR PEKKA MALINEN,
DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION
ADMINISTRATION. (MALINEN IS 54 AND WAS DCM IN
WASHINGTON 1967-69. HE SERVED AS AMBASSADOR IN
CAIRO 1969-75).

C. WILHELM BREITENSTEIN, MINISTER-COUNSELOR AT
FINNISH PERMANENT MISSION IN NEW YORK.

D. RISTO KAUPPI, HEAD OF DIVISION IN ECONOMIC
AND COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN MINISTRY DEALING
WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. (KAUPPI IS 38 AND HAS
SERVED IN BRUSSELS AND LONDON.)

E. MAUNO CASTREN, HEAD OF MULTILATERAL COOPERATION
DIVISION IN FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION
ADMINISTRATION. (CASTREN IS 44 AND SERVED IN BUDAPEST
AND ALGIERS PRIOR TO TOUR IN WASHINGTON 1970-72.
ASSIGNMENT TO FINNISH MISSION IN GENEVA PRECEDED
PRESENT JOB. CASTREN IS RECOMMENDED AS A CONTACT.)

F. TURO BERGMAN REPRESENTS COMMUNISTS. (BORN
IN 1946 HE IS A RESEARCHER AT WORKERS ECONOMIC RESEARCH
INSTITUTE (TTT) SPECIALIZING ON EMPLOYMENT, MIGRATION,
AND INTERNATIONAL CURRENCY QUESTIONS.)

G. PEKKA HEMMILA REPRESENTS SOCIAL DEMOCRATS.
(BORN IN 1947 HE IS ALSO TTT RESEARCHER. HIS SPECIAL
FIELDS ARE FOREIGN TRADE, PARTICULARLY FINNISH-SOVIET
TRADE, AND INTERNATIONAL CURRENCY QUESTIONS.)

H. JUKKA HUOPANIEMI REPRESENTS CENTER PARTY.
(BORN IN 1936 HUOPANIEMI IS LECTURER IN POLITICAL
SCIENCE AT HELSINKI UNIVERSITY.)

I. ALPO KEINANEN REPRESENTS THE UNITY PARTY.
(KEINANEN RUNS A SMALL FAMILY BUSINESS IN KUOPIO.
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HIS PARTS IS IN DANGER OF DROPPING OUT OF PARLIAMENT
ALTOGETHER IN NEXT MONTH'S ELECTIONS.)

J. JUHA KLEMOLA REPRESENTS LIBERAL PARTY.
(BORN IN 1946 IN KLEMOLA IS INFORMATION OFFICER IN
NATIONAL PENSION INSTITUTE. HE IS STANDING FOR
PARLIAMENT IN SEPTEMBER 21-22 ELECTIONS IN HELSINKI
BUT HAS LITTLE CHANCE OF SUCCESS. HE SERVED ON FINNISH

DELEGATION TO 29TH UNGA.)

K. VILHO KOIRANEN REPRESENTS CONSERVATIVES.
(ABOUT 45, KOIRANEN IS DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL OF
CONSERVATIVE PARTY AND ACTIVE IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS
INCLUDING PREVIOUS UNGA DELEGATIONS. HE HAS A
DOCTORATE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PREFERS TO BE
ADDRESSED AS DOCTOR KOIRANEN. RECENTLY PARTICIPATED
IN BLUE-RIBBON COMMITTEE WHICH PRESENTED DETAILED
REPORT PROPOSING REFORMS IN FOREIGN MINISTRY. WELL-
KNOWN TO EMBASSY AND RECOMMENDED AS CONTACT.)

L. PATRIK LILIUS REPRESENTS SWEDISH PEOPLE'S
PARTY. (LILIUS IS 55 AND SERVED 14 YEARS AS PARTY
SECRETARY BEFORE ASSUMING PRESENT POSITION IN 1971 AS
HEAD OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT OF THE FINNISH
EMPLOYERS' CONFEDERATION--STK. LILIUS WAS A US LEADER
GRANTEE IN 1959. HE IS ALSO A RECOMMENDED CONTACT.)

M. MARKKU JAASKELAINEN REPRESENTS SOCIAL
DEMOCRATS. (JAASKELAINEN IS AN ACTIVE YOUTH POLITICIAN
BELONGING TO LEFT-WING OF HIS PARTY. A PROLIFIC WRITER
HE OFTER ESPOUSES THIRD WORLD CAUSES.)

N. BJORN EKBLOM, FIRST SECRETARY AT PERMANENT
MISSION IN NEW YORK. (ONE OF FINLAND'S TWO "INVITED GUESTS"
AT NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE IN LIMA.)

O. BENJAMIN BASSIN (31-YEAR-OLD FOREIGN MINISTRY
OFFICIAL REPLACING EKBLOM IN NEW YORK AS OF OCTOBER 1.
BASSIN HAS WORKED WITH GATT, OECD, AND MULTILATERAL
COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS FOR LAST COUPLE OF YEARS.)

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P. ANTTI HYNNINEN WORKS IN THE MULTILATERAL
COOPERATION DIVISION OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S DEVELOP-
MENT COOPERATION ADMINISTRATION. (HYNNINEN IS 34 AND
HAS SERVED IN MARSEILLE, TEL AVIV, GENEVA AND OECD
PARIS.)

4. ACCOMPANYING MINISTER RYTKONEN, BUT NOT LISTED AS
DELEGATION MEMBER, WILL BE MATTI LIUKKONEN. LIUKKONEN
IS A 29-YEAR-OLD CAREER DIPLOMAT, SELECTED IN
JUNE BY TYTKONEN TO SERVE AS HIS "SECRETARY" FOR
DURATION OF PRESENT CARETAKER GOVERNMENT. LIUKKONEN
HAD JUST RETURNED FROM AN ASSIGNMENT IN GENEVA.
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